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BENDING MACHINE WITH BENDING TOOLS
ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF A TOOL PLATEN

the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

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I hereby appoint Peter L. Costas, Registration No. 18,637, whose Post Office Address is Pepe & Hazard, LLC, 225 Asylum Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06103, my attorney to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Address all correspondence to Peter L. Costas at the aforesaid address and direct all telephone calls to him at Area Code 860, Telephone No. 241-2630.

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